

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1615

FORSTNER ET AL.

APPLICATION NO: 10/552,836

FILED: OCTOBER 13, 2005

FOR: VAV INHIBITION IN GRAFT REJECTION

MS: Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

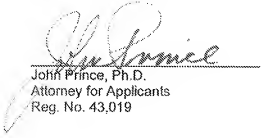
In response to the Restriction Requirement of September 4, 2007, requiring a species election, Applicants elect an antibody as the species of specific inhibitor for Vav-1

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis for any fees due.

An early and favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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